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Sir:

Applicants request the Patent Office to indicate when the first office action might be received in the above application. The application was filed on November 2, 2002 and completed on August 19, 2002 at which time, the declaration, extension request and sequence listing were filed. It is requested that the Patent Office indicate when the first office action might be received.

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